A sensor for detecting biological molecules, said sensor comprising:
a substrate;

an electrode on said substrate, said electrode having the capacity to bind a preselected biological molecule, said electrode [being between about 10⁻⁹ and 10⁻¹⁰ meters in height] extending from a principal surface of said substrate a distance of from 2 Angstroms to 5 nanometers and said electrode having a width of from 2 Angstroms to 5 nanometers.

2. The sensor recited in claim 1, wherein said [electrode is] substrate has a plurality of said electrodes.



- 4. The sensor recited in claim 2, wherein at least one of said electrodes has a chemical composition which is different than [the other] another of said electrodes.
- 8. The sensor recited in claim 6, wherein at least one of said coatings is different than [the other] another of said coatings.
- 9. The sensor recited in claim 2, wherein the [height of] plurality of said electrodes extend from a principal surface of said substrate and wherein at least one of said electrodes [is different that the height of the other] extends farther from said principal surface than another of said electrodes.



10. The sensor recited in claim 2, wherein the width of at least one of said electrodes is [different that] greater than the width[s] of [said other] another of said electrodes.

22. A sensor <u>system</u> for detecting biological molecules, said sensor <u>system</u> comprising:

a substrate;

a micro cantilever/[array] on said substrate;

at least one electrode disposed on [at least one of] said micro [cantilevers]

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23. The sensor system recited in claim 22, further comprising a laser for determining the concentration of biological molecules bound to said electrode.

24. The sensor system recited in claim 23, further comprising a piezoelectric detector for detecting the concentration of biological molecules bound to said electrode.

A method of sequencing nucleic acids, comprising the steps of:

providing a sensor <u>assembly</u>, said sensor <u>assembly</u> having a substrate on which plurality of electrodes are disposed, said electrodes each [being between about 10⁻⁹ and 10⁻¹⁰ meters in height and width] <u>extending from a principal surface of said substrate</u> a distance of from 2 Angstroms to 5 nanometers and having a width of from 2 Angstroms to 5 nanometers;

acids.

contacting said electrodes with a solution containing nucleic acids; said electrodes having the capacity to bind at least some of said nucleic

The method recited in claim wherein said sensor assembly includes a microtube in which said electrodes are disposed.

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The method recited in claim 27, wherein said sensor assembly further [comprising] comprises a flow control system and a laser detector.

The method recited in claim 26, wherein said sensor assembly further [comprising] comprises a microcontroller and a display.

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The [method] sensor recited in claim 2, further comprising a support structure for said substrate, said support structure being adapted to be received in a x-y fluorescent laser reader.

32. A silicon chip to detect individual proteins comprising at least one <u>surface</u> region sensormanufactured with Angstrom level precision [where the] <u>wherein said</u> surface region [of the] sensor complements exactly the three dimensional shape of a [given] protein.

